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January 28, 2002

Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

While my business has not been adversely affected by this lawsuit against Microsoft, had it continued to its anticipated bitter end, I cannot help but think that all IT businesses would somehow have been hurt.

There is a perception that Microsoft had grown a little too big and successful for its own good. Adding to that perception is the allegation that they had treated much of their customer base (the OEMs) with a certain amount of undue, over-protective suspicion. However, this has more than adequately addressed in the settlement, and the settlement has ample protections figured into it.

It is good on several levels that there has been a settlement. While in a few areas, the settlement goes beyond the lawsuit, it does address the initial concerns leveled at Microsoft by their competitors. I am writing to express my support for this settlement, and hope that with it the IT community can resume business in a more normal fashion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Walter A. Householder".

Walter A. Householder
President

cc: Representative Jeff Flake
Microsoft